

## Big Sky, Montana | July 12 - 16, 2015

## Saturday, July 11

**Northwest Montana Industry Tour**- Beginning in Flathead Valley near Glacier National Park, participants will visit cutting edge wood product manufacturers, mines, and an oil extraction research lab. The tour will end at Big Sky on Sunday afternoon. More information online.

## Sunday, July 12

11:30 - 7:00 pm **Registration - Big Sky Resort**

11:30 - 7:00 pm **Welcome Café - Upper Atrium.** Meet your fellow delegates, learn about Big Sky's fun activities, and enjoy coffee.

12:00 - 1:00 pm **Executive Board Lunch - Invitation Only**

1:00 - 5:00 pm **Executive Committee Meeting**

6:00 - 8:00 pm **Welcome Reception** featuring the **Hon. Steve Daines**, Senator from Montana, hosted by University of Montana

9:00 - 11:00 pm **Hospitality Suite**

## Monday, July 13

7:00 am - 5:00 pm **Registration - Big Sky Resort**

7:00 am - 5:00 pm **Northwest Territories Welcome Lounge - Upper Atrium.** Enjoy NWT hospitality and learn about the adventures awaiting at the 2015 Legislative Leadership Academy and Economic Leadership Forum in Yellowknife Nov. 15- 18

7:30 am - 9:00 am **Opening Ceremonies and Keynote Breakfast** featuring **Matthew Rose**, Executive Chairman, hosted by BNSF and PNWER President **Minster David Ramsay**, Northwest Territories

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| 9:15 am - 12:15 pm | <b>Expanding Natural Gas Markets</b><br>-Overview: Supply, demand, prices<br>-NW energy supply and Asia markets<br>-Responsibly produced and regulated natural gas | <b>Transportation</b><br>-Industry initiatives on oil tank car safety<br>-Rail capacity for western products<br>-Legislative response panel on challenges in legislating around rail capacity | <b>Workforce Development</b><br>-Middle market businesses influence on the regional economy<br>-Professional license mobility in the region | <b>Invasive Species</b><br>-Regional Framework for Perimeter Defense against Invasive zebra and quagga mussels<br>- Building regional partnerships | <b>Disaster Resilience &amp; Cyber Security</b><br>-Drones, body cameras & the law. Discussion of legal & constitutional issues in new technology<br>-Emerging threats in cyber security |
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12:30 pm - 2:15 **Keynote Luncheon** featuring the **Honorable Steve Bullock**, Governor of Montana hosted by Northwestern Energy

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| 2:30 pm - 5:30 pm | <b>Energy</b><br>-Carbon capture & sequestration for enhanced oil recovery<br>-EPA's Clean Power Plan<br>-Communicating with the public. "How to connect energy infrastructure with core values" | <b>Market Access</b><br>-Ensuring multi-modal transportation infrastructure can get our goods to market<br>-Regional projects<br>-Ports and rail terminals | <b>Agriculture</b><br>-Transportation challenges<br>-Cross-border harmonization in research, market dev, & promotion<br>-Food safety modernization plans<br>-Social license | <b>Invasive Species</b><br>-Emerging issues, examples of coordinated response and new tools and technology<br>-Enhancing communication among existing regional invasive species partnerships | <b>Forestry</b><br>-Marketing lumber by aligning building codes across the region and advancing wood building technology<br>-Innovative approaches to federal forest management | <b>Arctic Caucus</b><br>-Potential transportation corridors to connect communities and bring economic development |
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6:00 - 8:00 pm **Reception** hosted by Imperial Oil - *Peaks Pavilion*

9:00 - 11:00 pm **Hospitality Suite**



**Tuesday, July 14**

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| 7:00am-5:00  | <b>Registration - Big Sky Resort</b>  |   |   |  |  |
| 7:00am - 5:00  | <b>Northwest Territories Welcome Lounge - Upper Atrium.</b>   |   |   |  |  |
| 7:30am - 9:00  | <b>Keynote Breakfast</b> featuring <b>His Excellency Bruce Heyman</b> , U.S. Ambassador to Canada   |   |   |  |  |
| 9:15am - 12:15 pm  | <b>Energy &amp; Environment</b><br>-Energy Efficiency: Roadmap to Resilient, NetZero Buildings<br>-Utility: Tools to address distributive generation resource planning  | <b>Mining</b><br>-Best practice: Legislating Mining Safety for tailings ponds. Montana case study | <b>Border Issues</b><br>-Beyond the Border process and Pre-clearance task force<br>-Pacific Northwest Border Solutions Council<br>-Alberta & Montana inland border issues | <b>Water Policy</b><br>-Water supply storage & adaptation<br>-Impact of decreasing snow pack | <b>Cross-border Livestock Health I</b><br>-Aligning U.S. and Canada policies for control of vesicular stomatitis |
| 12:30pm - 1:45   | <b>Keynote Luncheon</b>   |   |   |  |  |
| 2:00 pm -5:30<br><i>Sign-up online for your preferred policy tour.</i> | <b>Innovation: Bozeman's Hi-Tech Industry Cluster &amp; MSU's Research Success</b>  | <b>Agriculture: Developing Agriculture from Seed to Table</b>                                     | <b>Craft Malting, Distilling, and Brewing</b>   | <b>Tourism: Economics of National Park Tourism</b>   | <b>Trade and Economic Development: Recreation Manufacturing</b>  |
| 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm  | <b>Museum of the Rockies Reception</b> hosted by Montana State University. <i>Transportation to Bozeman provided from Big Sky Resort and policy tour locations. Reserve Resort - MOR bus online if not attending a policy tour.</i> |   |   |  |  |
| 9:00 pm - 11:00  | <b>Hospitality Suite</b>  |   |   |  |  |

**Wednesday, July 15**

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| 7:00am - 5:00     | <b>Northwest Territories Welcome Lounge - Upper Atrium.</b>   |  |   |   |  |
| 7:30am - 9:00     | <b>Keynote Breakfast</b> featuring <b>Sam Schulhofer-Wohl</b> , Senior Vice President and Director of Research, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis hosted by the Washington Corporations |  |   |   |  |
| 9:15am - 12:15 pm | <b>Cross-border Livestock Health II</b><br>-Coordinating a regional response to avian influenza and minimizing trade restrictions during out-breaks                                       | <b>Trade &amp; Economic Development</b><br>-Review of private sector led state-wide business planning efforts<br>-Connecting our innovation ecosystems | <b>Tourism</b><br>-Passenger rail tourism<br>-Preclearance & potential impact<br>-Marketing                             | <b>University Presidents</b><br>-Using innovation & entrepreneurship to make a difference with Jane Muir, Association. of University Technology Manager | <b>Executive Committee</b><br>10:30 am start |
| 12:30 pm -2:15    | <b>Keynote Luncheon</b>   |  |   |   |  |
| 2:30 pm -5:30 pm  | <b>Cross-border Livestock Health III</b> Electronic health certificate programs and the status of the US-Canada pilot   | <b>Transportation II: P3 Private Public Partnerships</b><br>-Benefits and implementation; successful cases   | <b>Beehive Basin Hike: Resort Clusters Expanded Economies</b><br><b>Whitewater Rafting</b><br><b>Open Space Fishing</b> | <b>State of Montana Economic Affairs Interim Committee</b>  | <b>Executive Committee Continued</b>         |
| 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm | <b>Engineering and Geoscience Regulators Reception</b> featuring <b>His Excellency Gary Doer</b> , Canadian Ambassador to the United States hosted by APEGs and APEGBC                    |  |   |   |  |
| 9:00pm - 11:00    | <b>Hospitality Suite</b>  |  |   |   |  |

**Thursday, July 16**

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| 8:00am - 10:00 | <b>Optional Continental Breakfast</b>   |  |  |  |  |
| July 16 - 18   | <b>Montana Energy Tour:</b> Leaving Big Sky on Thursday afternoon; participants overnight in Billings & depart Friday morning to tour Cloud Peak's coal mine operation Spring Creek. Participants <b>depart from the Billings Airport on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup></b> . |  |  |  |  |
| 8:00- 7:00pm   | Day trip to <b>Yellowstone National Park</b> . More information online. <span style="float: right;"><i>Summit schedule is subject to change.</i></span>   |  |  |  |  |